

## Kate Bowling



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**Occupation:** Acting Municipal Judge/ Attorney / College Ethics Professor

**Education:** University of Dayton School of Law, J.D.; Miami University, B.A.

**Work Experience:** Acting Municipal Judge (2016- Present); Private Attorney and Law Practice Owner (2009 – Present); Faculty Professor at Miami University (2014-Present); Former Child Protection Prosecutor (2008)

**Family:** Married with 2 children

**Affiliations:** N/A

**Endorsements:** N/A

**Bar Association Ratings:** N/A

### (1) List your judicial experience (courts and years):

I am currently an Acting Judge in Kettering Municipal Court. I have over two years of experience on the bench in Kettering, where I regularly run both criminal and civil dockets. I preside over both criminal and civil trials. I determine criminal bonds in both felony and misdemeanor cases; hold preliminary hearings; and render judgment on pre-trial motions. I have experience authoring written decision in complex civil cases. I have extensive experience making the tough decisions necessary to appropriately sentence defendants in criminal cases. I am Certified by the Ohio Supreme Court as an Acting Judge, and have been trained and educated by the Ohio Judicial College. Running a docket as an Acting Judge has enriched my legal skills and prepared me for the Common Pleas Bench in ways that practicing as an attorney alone could not have done.



### Judicial Votes Count



### WHAT'S AT STAKE?

In 2018, Ohio voters elected judges to the Supreme Court of Ohio and all 12 districts of the Court of Appeals, as well as most courts of common pleas and county courts.

### Election Results

#### 2019 Voter Registration Deadlines

For Primary Election: April 8, 2019

For General Election: Oct. 7, 2019

[Register to Vote Online or Update Your Name/Address Here](#)

#### 2019 Election Dates

Primary Election: May 7, 2019

General Election: Nov. 5, 2019

Polls are open on Election Days from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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**2) What about your non-judicial legal experience qualifies you to be a judge?**

I am a trial attorney by training and trade. I have owned and operated a private law practice since 2009, representing clients in all aspects of both civil and criminal litigation. My practice has included small business and contract disputes; commercial sales litigation; family law; appellate practice; probate; environmental and zoning disputes; criminal trial practice; personal injury; and property disputes. I have practiced extensively in the Montgomery County Common Pleas Court in addition to common pleas courts throughout the State of Ohio. This range of exposure to a variety of courts, coupled with my extensive trial experience qualifies me to serve in this judicial seat with broad legal expertise as well as a fresh perspective on the ways in which we can improve the efficiency of our Common Pleas Court. As a former child protection prosecutor, I have experience working cooperatively with government, law enforcement, and social service agencies. Maintaining a private practice for nearly a decade, I have gained a deep understanding of law, while serving the people of this county. In addition to my work as an Acting Judge and Attorney, I am also a faculty professor of Business Ethics in the Farmer School of Business at Miami University. As a business ethics professor, I teach graduating seniors in the business school a model for ethical decision-making in the corporate realm. This ability to make well-reasoned, ethical decisions is an acquired skill. My work as an Ethics Professor renders me uniquely qualified for this judicial seat. Additionally, I teach Contracts; Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning; and Business Law. I have been nominated, peer-reviewed, and acknowledged for excellence in the practice of law for the last two consecutive years by Ohio Superlawyers. I am a past presenter at the Montgomery County Common Pleas Judicial Seminar, and the Dayton Bar Association's First Annual Women in Law forum.

**(3) Why are you running for this particular court seat?**

I have devoted my career to serving the people of this county. I want to continue this service as a Common Pleas Judge because I feel this position will allow me to best utilize my collective experience to better our communities and our Court. Every position I have held – from Acting Judge to Attorney to Educator – has given me an opportunity to help someone in need, whether that be a client, a litigant, a victim, or a student. I look forward to combining my desire to help with my love for the law as a Common Pleas Judge. My practical experience has allowed me to see the Courtroom from every angle: as a Prosecutor, a Private Attorney, and an Acting Judge. That diversity of experience is exactly what I will take with me to the Common Pleas Bench to ensure that our litigants and citizens have access to a fair, firm, impartial Judge who will respectfully hear both sides. I am also looking forward to the opportunity to share my ideas and pursue initiatives that will allow our Court to progress and operate with increased efficiency. I hold a deep respect for our justice system and for the work of our Common Pleas Court. I will be both proud and humbled to serve our community as their next Judge.